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AT the Court at *Kenſington*, the 9th Day of *Auguſt* 1751,

PRESENT,

The King's moſt Excellent Majeſty in Council.

WHereas his Majeſty hath received Information, That from the 16th Day of June to the 1ſt Day of September in the laſt Year 1750, a very ſmall Number of the Horned Cattle had died of the Diſtemper, or had been killed on that Account, in the County of Middleſex; but that from the ſaid Firſt Day of September to the Tenth Day of November following, no leſs than Nine hundred and eighteen Oxen and Cows, and Thirty-one Calves had been killed and buried by the Inſpectors, within the ſaid County; which great and ſudden Increaſe of the ſaid Diſtemper, was apprehended to have ariſen from the holding two great Fairs for Horned Cattle near the Borders of the ſaid County of Middleſex, the one in that Part of Barnet which lies in the County of Hertford, on the 24th of Auguſt, and the other at Harlow Buſh in the County of Eſſex, on the 29th of the ſaid Month; to which Fairs, diſtemper'd Cattle being brought, were there bought and ſold, and diſperſed all over thoſe and the Neighbouring Counties.—And whereas his Majeſty hath this Day received further Information, that from the 13th of April in the preſent Year, to this Time, the Diſtemper hath entirely ceaſed in the County of Middleſex, not one Ox, Bull, Cow or Calf having either died or been killed on Account thereof; but that there is great Reaſon to apprehend, if the afore-mentioned two Fairs ſhould be permitted to be held this Year, the ſame Miſchiefs may ariſe as in the laſt, the ill Conſequences whereof may prove very injurious to many of his Majeſty's good Subjects:—His Majeſty taking the ſame into his moſt ſerious Conſideration, and being deſirous of doing every Thing in his Power to prevent the Spreading of the ſaid Diſtemper, hath therefore thought fit, and doth, by this his Order in his Privy Council, declare and order, that no Fair or Fairs, Market, or Shew of Cattle, be held for the Sale of Cattle on the 24th of this Inſtant Auguſt, at Barnet aforeſaid, or any Place adjacent, nor any Fair or Fairs, Market, or Shew of Cattle at Harlow Buſh on the 29th of this Inſtant, or any Place adjacent thereto: —And his Majeſty doth hereby ſtrictly forbid the ſending, driving, or removing, or cauſing to be ſent, driven or removed, any Ox, Bull, Cow, Calf, Steer or Heifer, to either of the ſaid Fairs or Markets, or any other Fair or Market, or Shew of Cattle, in any Place adjacent:—And his Majeſty's Juſtices of the Peace in the Counties of Hertford and Eſſex, near to the Place where the afore-mentioned Fairs are uſually held, are hereby required to iſſue their Orders to the Chief Conſtables or Headboroughs of the Hundreds, Lathes, Rapes or Wapentakes, and to the reſpective Petty-Conſtables of the reſpective Pariſhes within the ſame, to prevent the holding the ſaid Fairs or Markets: And if any Perſon or Perſons ſhall preſume to drive, remove, or ſend, or cauſe to be driven, removed, or ſent, any ſuch Cattle to the ſaid Fairs or Markets contrary to this Order, ſuch Perſon or Perſons ſo offending, ſhall be carried before ſome Neighbouring Juſtice, to be dealt with according to Law.

And his Majeſty doth hereby ſtrictly charge and command, not only the Juſtices of the Peace within the ſaid Counties of Hertford and Eſſex, but alſo all the Juſtices of the Peace, and other Magiſtrates throughout the Kingdom of England, that they do take Care at this Seaſon of the Year, when Fairs and Markets are uſually held for the Sale of Cattle, to inform themſelves thoroughly, whether the holding the ſaid Fairs and Markets are likely to be attended with the Danger of Spreading the ſaid Diſtemper; and if they ſhall apprehend them ſo to be, that then the ſaid Juſtices do, at their General or Quarter Seſſion, or at any Adjournment thereof, within their reſpective Counties, cauſe a Stop to be put to the holding the ſame, purſuant to the Powers veſted in them for that Purpoſe, by his Majeſty's Order in Council of the 22d of March 1747.

And his Majeſty doth likewiſe hereby ſtrictly charge and command all the ſaid Juſtices of the Peace, and other Magiſtrates and Officers, to be careful and diligent in carrying into Execution the Rules and Regulations contained in the ſeveral Acts of Parliament and Orders of Council for putting a Stop to the Spreading of the Diſtemper amongſt the Horned Cattle.

William Sharpe.

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Naples, *July* 27. The King propoſes ſetting out next Week for the Iſland of Procida, in order to take the Diverſion of hunting for ſome Days. We are informed by the Maſters of ſeveral Ships that are juſt arrived here from the Coaſt of Sicily, that on the 11th Inſtant two violent Earthquakes happened at Palermo, and in that Neighbourhood, by which a great Number of Houſes had been very much damaged. During the Courſe of laſt Week fifteen more of the Banditti, who have lately infeſted the publick Roads of this Kingdom, were brought here under a ſtrong Guard and committed to Priſon.

Rome, *July* 31. Laſt Monday Night the Inhabitants of this City were greatly alarmed by a violent Shock of an Earthquake, which however went off without doing any conſiderable Damage. M. Cervini, Patriarch of Jeruſalem, died here on Thurſday laſt, very much advanced in Years.

Florence, *July* 31. Count Richecourt, Preſident of the Regency, is indefatigable in his Endeavours to bring to Perfection the great Road that is making over the Mountains of this State to Bologna; from whence 'tis expected our Commerce will reap great Advantages. We learn from the Romagna, that they have felt ſeveral ſlight Shocks of an Earthquake within theſe few Days paſt, but that happily they had done very little Damage.

Florence, *Aug.* 6. On the 1ſt Inſtant an Expreſs arrived here from Siena with Notice, that the Evening before, whilſt they were acting an Opera, an accidental Fire broke out in the Theatre, which was ſoon quite deſtroyed by the Flames.

Genoa, *Aug.* 2. We are waiting here with great Impatience to learn what Reſolutions will be taken at the General Aſſembly that is now holding at San Fiorenzo, in Relation to the Affairs of Corſica. The Maſter of a Ship arrived here on Saturday laſt from Naples ſays, that one of our armed Barks, which has been cruizing for ſome Time off Cape Colonna, had been taken, after a ſmart Engagement, by a Tuneſian Chebeck, and carried into the Port of Otranto. Our laſt Letters from Madrid ſay, that the King of Spain, upon a Repreſentation made to him of the great Want of People in general, and particularly of Handycraftſmen, in the Weſt Indies, had agreed to allow ſome peculiar Privileges and Exemptions to ſuch of his Subjects or others as ſhould be willing to go thither, and exerciſe their Trades.

Turin, *Aug.* 3. On Wedneſday the King, accompanied by all the Royal Family, and attended by ſeveral of the principal Lords and Ladies of the Court, went on a Party of Pleaſure in a Gondola upon the River Po. His Majeſty has appointed the Count de Briſqueraſque, Governor of the Duke of Chablais, to be Viceroy of the Kingdom of Sardinia, in the Room of Don Emmanuel de Valguarnera, whoſe three Years is expired, being the Time that Place is uſually enjoyed.

Brunſwick, *Aug.* 6. There has been lately diſcovered, in the Neighbourhood of Blanckenbourg, a Quarry of very fine Marble, of a whitiſh Colour, with Streakes of a pale Red. Several Experiments have already been made with it, not only here, but at Berlin; and as it appears in every Reſpect as good and uſeful as the Italian, there is great Reaſon to believe we ſhall have a conſiderable Demand for it throughout all Germany.

Venice, *Aug.* 6. Great Diſturbances have lately happened at Crema, on Account of the Dearneſs of Corn and Proviſions, which obliged the People to complain to the Podeſta, deſiring that the Syndicks might regulate the Prices of them, and it was accordingly done to their Satisfaction: But the Podeſta being highly diſpleaſed with the Behaviour of theſe Magiſtrates, ordered them to be put into Priſon. Upon this the People roſe, and threatened to murder the Podeſta, unleſs he releaſed them; who apprehending they would put their Menaces in Execution, acquainted the Senate of his Situation. Whereupon Signior Moſto, an Inquiſitor, was immediately ſent with full Powers, who, ſoon after his Arrival, cauſed the three Syndicks to be hanged, and condemned ſeveral of the Ringleaders of the Riot to the Galleys. Theſe Proceedings greatly irritated the People, who not daring to attack the Troops the Inquiſitor had brought with him, retired in great Numbers into the State of Milan, and thoſe who remained, declared they would no longer obey the Governors ſent by the Republick. In this State of Things it was thought neceſſary to try other Methods, and Signior Luigi Piſani, Governor of Palma, was ſent with Offers of a General Pardon, and Promiſes from the Senate to redreſs the Grievances complained of, which has ſucceeded, and thereby an End is put to an Affair which could not but give great Uneaſineſs here. They write from Naples, that in Conſequence of an Edict lately publiſhed there againſt the Free Maſons, ſeveral Perſons have aleady been taken up and put into Priſon.

Vienna, *Aug.* 7. Yeſterday an Expreſs arrived here with Advice, that on Wedneſday Evening laſt their Imperial Majeſties reached Buda, where they reſted that Night, and the next Morning ſet out for the Camp, where they propoſed ſtaying five or ſix Days. On Thurſday a long Conference was held at Field Marſhal Count Konigſeck's, at which Marſhal Bathiany, and the Counts Colloredo and Uhlefeldt aſſiſted. The ſame Day a Fire broke out at a Baker's Houſe at Nuſdorff, about a League from hence, which burnt with ſuch Violence, that upwards of thirty Houſes were conſumed before a Stop could be put to it.

Breſlau, *Aug.* 8. Great Preparations are making for the King's Reception, who is expected here towards the End of this Month; and all the Regiments quartered in this Province have Orders to hold themſelves in Readineſs againſt that Time to be reviewed by his Majeſty. We learn from the Frontiers bordering upon Poland, that

that the Locuſts have appeared for ſeveral Days paſt in prodigeous Numbers, and ſpoil every Field and Garden wherever they ſettle.

Copenhagen, Aug. 10. This Afternoon the Pilot of 60, and the Iceland of 50 Guns, two new Men of War, were launched here in the Preſence of their Majeſties, of ſeveral of the Nobility, and of a prodigeous Concourſe of the common People.

Ratisbon, Aug. 12. On Friday laſt Field Marſhal Count Hohenembs was unanimouſly elected, by all the three Colleges, into the important Employment of General of Horſe of the Empire.

Hanover, Aug. 12. We hear from divers Places in this Electorate, that the Diſtemper amongſt the horned Cattle, which 'twas thought had entirely ceaſed in this Country, has broke out again, and rages with greater Violence than heretofore.

Cleves, Aug. 16. The Regency of this Dutchy have publiſhed an Ordonnance, by which, in Conformity to the King's Orders, all private Perſons whatſoever are forbid ſending their Children to be educated in any other Univerſity than thoſe in his Majeſty's Dominions.

Bruſſels, Aug. 16. 'Tis ſaid an Ordonnance is preparing, and will be publiſhed in a few Days, to prevent the ſending of Corn out of this Country, on Account of the great Rains we have had here for ſome Time paſt, which has already occaſioned a Riſe of that Commodity.

April 19, 1751.

General Poſt Office.

Whereas the Poſt-Boy bringing the Cirenceſter Mail to this Office, was Yeſterday Morning, between Two and Three of the Clock, on Gerrard's Croſs Common, between Wickham and Uxbridge, attacked and robbed by a ſingle Highwayman, mounted on a Bay Mare, who carried off the ſaid Mail, which contained the following Bags of Letters, viz.

Briſtol,	Worceſter,
Exeter,	Birmingham,
Tiverton,	Wolverhampton,
Taunton,	Woodſtock,
Wellington,	Bath,
Bridgewater,	Cirenceſter,
Wells,	Glouceſter,
Oxford,	Thame,
Burford,	Wickham,
Witney,	Beconsfield,
Chipping-norton,	Gerrard's Croſs,
Campden,	Abingdon, *and*
Eveſham,	Farringdon.

The Perſon who committed this Robbery, was a tall luſty black Man, about Six Feet high, between Forty and Fifty Years of Age, marked with the Small Pox, and had on a blue Surtout or Horſeman's Coat, and under it a dark coloured one, with white Metal Buttons, and wore a black or dark coloured Wig, and rode upon a large Brown Bay Horſe or Mare, Fifteen Hands high, with a bald Face, and a dark black Mane, the Tail lately docked and nicked, the Wounds not healed.

This therefore is to give Notice, That whoever ſhall apprehend and convict, or cauſe to be apprehended and convicted, the Perſon who committed this Robbery, will be intitled to a Reward of Two Hundred Pounds, *over and above the Reward given by Act of Parliament for apprehending of Highwaymen: Or if any Perſon or Perſons, whether Accomplice in the ſaid Robbery, or knowing thereof, ſhall make Diſcovery, whereby the Perſon, who committed the ſame, may be apprehended and brought to Juſtice, ſuch Diſcoverer or Diſcoverers will, upon Conviction of the Party, be intitled to the ſame Reward of* Two Hundred Pounds, *and alſo have His Majeſty's moſt gracious Pardon.*

By Command of the Poſt-Maſter-General,
George Shelvocke, *Secretary.*

Auguſt 17, 1751.

The Court of Directors of the Governor and Company of the Bank of England, give Notice, That the Tranſfer Books for Bank Stock will be ſhut from Wedneſday the 11th of September next, till Wedneſday the 16th of October following.

Robert Lewin, *Secretary.*

A Quarterly General Court of the Governors of the Bounty of Queen Anne, for the Augmentation of the Maintenance of the Poor Clergy, will be held at their Office in Dean's Yard in Weſtminſter, on Monday the 2d Day of September next, at Ten of the Clock in the Forenoon.

A General Meeting of the Truſtees for Repairing and Amending the Turnpike Roads in the Counties of Surry and Suſſex, is appointed to be held at the Greyhound Inn at Croydon, on Saturday the 31ſt Inſtant, at Ten o'Clock in the Forenoon, to chooſe Truſtees in the Place of ſuch as are dead, removed, or refuſe to act; and to chooſe Toll Collectors, and for Diſpatch of other Buſineſs relating to the Truſt.

Ste. Gourney, *Clerk.*

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